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Rural Man Van

The Rural Man Van was in Drayton Valley to check mail for psa animals

Agricultural disaster

Brazeau County has declared a state of agricultural disaster



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PARKS DAY CELEBRATIONS CONTINUE ANNUALLY



Mama Lulla Western Review

Orochimom. It was a sunny afternoon when members of the community came out to Willey West to enjoy some burgers and hot dogs with their families on Parks Day 2015. See more pictures on page 2.

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News

CELEBRATING PARKS DAY



Eagle Point-Skue Rapids Parks Council celebrated eighth annual Parks Day recently. Members of the community were invited to the Willey West campground to enjoy the outdoors encouraging families to paddle down the river, learn archery and enjoy the barbecues.

Marta Lulla Western Review



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Thursday, July 30th

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Gate #1 at Riverview Cemetery will be open to allow for wheelchair access



COMMUNITY STANDARDS BYLAW

Contact Chandra Dyck for any questions, or to provide your input, at 780-514-2200

The Community Standards Bylaw will be presented to

Council for second and third readings on September 14, 2015

The Bylaw, as well as a highlight sheet, can be reviewed online by visiting www.draytonvalley.ca/bylaws/

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INTERESTED IN PICKLEBALL?

Are you interested in learning more about pickleball and how to get a pickleball club started here in Drayton Valley?

PICKLEBALL Information Session & Demo

Wednesday, August 12th

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

at the Tennis Courts behind the Hospital

Please bring a lawn chair and water bottle!

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Next Regular Meeting of Council

Wed. August 5, 2015

Council Chambers, Town Office • 9:00 am

Next Governance & Priorities Meeting

Wed. July 29, 2015

Town Office • 9:00 am

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News

FUN RIDE



Montie Little Western Review

Drayton Valley Horse Club hosted a fun ride, a barn dance and a barbecue recently inviting members of the community to join in all the fun. Events were free except the barbecue that had a fee of \$5 to cover the cost of food. Friendly rides continue on Riverside Trails every third Saturday during the summer.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

BRAZEAU COUNTY Water Act NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice is given that Brazeau County has filed an application under the provisions of the Water Act for the construction of an approximate 9.4 hectare end pit lake adjacent to the confluence of Modeste Creek and the North Saskatchewan River located at SE 17-050-05-W5. The end pit lake will be part of a recreational park/natural area after the reclamation of the gravel operation.

Any person who is directly affected by the application may submit a statement of concern to:

Environment and Parks
Regulatory Approval Centre
Main Floor, Oxbow Place
3025 138 Street
EDMONTON, AB T6C 2J6
Phone: 780 427-8311
Fax: 780 422-0154

within 14 days of the providing of this notice.

Please quote file number: 00265380

Further information regarding this project can be obtained from:

Nico Wynyard, P. Eng.
Sawing Inc.
780-482-2557
nico@sawing.com

Statements filed regarding this application are public records which are accessible by the public. Statements should explain why the filer is directly affected and provide the full printed name, phone number and/or email address, postal address and legal land location of the filer.

Failure to file statements of concern may affect the right to file a notice of appeal with the Environmental Appeals Board.

The Administration office and Public Works shop will be closed Monday, Aug 3rd for the Heritage Day Civic Holiday

Brazeau County has launched a new website, have you checked it out yet?
www.brazeau.ab.ca

TRAFFIC ADVISORY

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE FOR BRAZEAU COUNTY

REVISED DATES: AUGUST 17 TO 23, 2015, INCLUSIVE

RANGE ROAD 42 BETWEEN NE 15 AND NW 14-048-04 W5M

Please be advised of the scheduled temporary closure of Range Road 42 to accommodate planned work on a PLAINS MIDSTREAM CANADA ULC ("PMC") pipeline where it crosses Brazeau County Range Road 42. Originally scheduled for July 20 to 26, 2015, work will now take place from AUGUST 17 TO 23, 2015, INCLUSIVE. Local access for residents from either the north or south on Range Road 42 will be available.

Please contact PMC's Buck Creek Plant at 780-542-8100 with any questions regarding the temporary road closure.

PMC apologizes for any inconvenience and thanks you for your patience and cooperation.

UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

- The next regular Council Meeting on August 18th starting at 9 am. The August 4th Regular Council Meeting has been cancelled.
- Municipal Planning Commission Meeting will be on July 28th starting at 9 am. For further information, please phone the Planning and Development Department at 780-542-2067.
- Land Use Bylaw special Council meeting to be held on July 29th, beginning at 9am in Council Chamber.

All Council meetings are held in the Council Chamber and are open to the public.

Information about Brazeau County employment opportunities can be found in the employment section on our website, www.brazeau.ab.ca/departments/administration/employment.



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News

Brazeau County declares a state of agricultural disaster

Maitia Lillis
Western Review

In a vote that was unanimous, Brazeau County declared a state of agricultural disaster at the county council meeting on July 21.

Drought conditions are felt around Alberta with Leduc County declaring the same along with Parkland County that followed suit on July 14 and Sturgeon County on July 20.

"These extreme drought conditions are devastating crops across Brazeau County," said Reeve Bart Guyon. "We understand the hardship our agricultural sector is facing and will provide all means of support possible."

By declaring a state of agricultural disaster, we hope to call attention to this extremely important issue. Farmers feed families, let's support them."

While discussing the issue, Coun. Marc Gressler said he was in favour of making the decision; however, he wanted to be more cautious and find out which areas are being affected if and when the provincial government comes out to take a look.

Reeve Bart Guyon then said they would call out to the community and that will help the county track the most impacted areas. County is asking residents experiencing agricultural hardships to notify the county administration so they can keep track.

County will notify provincial and federal government officials of the state of agricultural disaster and request a disaster recovery program to be set up.

As per a county news release, moisture levels in some parts of the province are at the lowest levels recorded in the last five decades while some areas are experiencing devastation caused by grasshoppers.

FUNDING THE ROCKY RAPIDS SKATING RINK
Coun. Kara Westerlund wanted to talk about Rocky Rapids skating rink as it's one of the heavily used arenas in the area.

A member of the Rocky Rapids Community League, Georgia

Frost came forward to talk about some of the issues that the facility is facing. She explained if they had easy access to water, which they don't currently; number of volunteers for the arena would increase.

A motion was passed to direct administration to look into rink repairs.

EASWEA ASKING FOR SUPPORT
Easwea Origins Corp. has addressed the issue of millions of cubic metres of fresh water being used for fracking purposes in Brazeau County.

Easwea plans to treat waste water for its reuse in the oil and gas industry through leveraging technologies, municipal assets

and resources and applying pressure to industry for a commitment to reuse waste water.

Within two years' time the company plans to build a treatment facility. A water consultant will study the Brazeau County and Drayton Valley region to determine a favourable area to set up a plant.

The company was hoping for a partial in-kind investment from Brazeau County.

Reeve Bart Guyon said although he agrees with reusing wastewater he doesn't wish to commit to one company as there may be others that will come along in a few years.

A motion was passed to receive the information.

Drayton Valley stock dog wins Calgary Stampede competition

Story submitted

A Drayton Valley stock dog and his handler have won the 2015 stock dog competition at the Calgary Stampede.

Dog handler Corey Perry has been competing in the stock dog competition for the past six years, picking up a pair of Third Place wins. Year Seven proved lucky for Perry as he and his dog Mirk won the championship.

Perry works in the oil

patch and trains and competes with stock dogs as a hobby. This hobby takes him into the United States and Brazil, where he conducts clinics and judges competitions. Brazil is also where he found Mirk, his winning dog.

"Mirk is five years old, I spotted him in Brazil and brought him over as a seven-month-old. I just liked his style, his keenness and his desire to work," said Perry.

"It takes a lot of training and commitment and

finding a dog that suits you. It's a lot of fun. If I lose, I get over it pretty quickly. We have to try and outsmart the sheep. When they don't, it's humbling," said Perry.

"Calgary was one of my targets. Coming into Stampede, I was fairly confident. Both dogs had been in the final before, but it's so competitive. There's a lot of good handlers here. If you don't have a good set of sheep, it can put you out of the running fairly quickly. I

was lucky this year. Now it's off my bucket list, but the pressure will be on me next year," added Perry.

Reeve Champion

honours went to dog Nic

and his handler Thad

Buckler from Evansburg.

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POSTMEDIA



editorial Cell phones – a blessing or a curse?

In today's world, nearly everybody carries a cell phone.

Some use a cell phone to stay in touch with their offices, others like to keep in touch with their families and still others prefer to use the handy-dandy features on it like browsing websites, taking photographs with the camera feature, videos and using download features so they can watch movies.

Are cell phones a blessing or a curse?

The answer, of course, depends on how individuals use them to catch up on the latest breaking news, and recently in this province, tornado sightings, so people know when to take cover.

There is absolutely nothing wrong with using cell phones in public – when appropriate.

Despite haphazard distracted driving laws and steeper fines, drivers in this community and Edmonton continue to be glued to their cell phones with one hand on the phone and the other on the steering wheel. It's not hard to tell who the drivers are on cell phones if you happen to get behind them.

They're the ones going 10 to 20 kilometres under the speed limit on a road or highway, don't look up when the traffic light changes to green, run stop signs and traffic lights, or make a corner with great difficulty. On 50th Street in this community, drivers going under the speed limit seem to be more prevalent and dangerous than those going the proper speed as they cause a situation ripe for a motor vehicle collision.

Cell phone misuse has run rampant lately in office buildings, retail

stores, courthouses, public gatherings, concerts, restaurants, council meetings and movie theatres. Sometimes it's simply forgetfulness on the part of the cell phone user to turn off the device, but more often than not it's also blatant rudeness and disrespect to those who are in the same room with these abusers.

Recently a woman singer and actress, Patty Lapone, grabbed a cell phone out of a woman's hand in the middle of a live performance she was singing in. Lapone defended her actions the following day as to why she did it, and no one disagreed with her. It boils down to rudeness and disrespect for the performer.

If people are using their cell phones as an excuse not to talk to somebody, brushing up on social skills would certainly help. If they're abusing their use of cell phones in public and private gatherings without regard for those around them, a crash course in social etiquette in general would be helpful.

All types of tools and devices are wonderful, provided they're used appropriately. When they're not, and they're causing people to wait until a phone conversation is finished before business can be attended to, perhaps the best chance to show displeasure is simply walking away and taking your business elsewhere.

In today's economy, with the Canadian dollar being at its lowest in decades and with even \$100 bills being hard to fill, maybe these businesses and cell phone abusers will finally get the picture and clean up their acts.



Finding my lost zen

I turn a lot of work but I learn most on vacation.

Sitting by the Black Sea coast recently, I realized there is a lot more to life than what most of us see in our daily routine.

I had gone to Eastern Europe, roaming the streets of Romania and Bulgaria. Both countries make the top backpacking destinations in Europe. It's no wonder I was able to afford the two.

A few castles, mountains, the Black Sea coast, capital of the two countries and lots of people.

During the second last stop, a Bulgarian town that lies just west of the Black Sea coast, I realized the trip was soon coming to an end. Sitting by the water and seeing some cheese and having a mint liqueur, I told myself I wouldn't worry about going back to the grind. In fact, when I laid I won't worry about the petty things that usually make me rage.

For example, the day I came back my roommate told me she was going to be moving in with her boyfriend. I was sincerely happy for her, but the roommate search at this time hasn't been easy. But I have promised myself the post-vacation glow of life must hang around for a while.

I need to realize that things do get better.



Mamma Musinga

When I tend to forget it I remember the time when my friend and I were stranded in a mountain town called Sinalia. Being lost is just a way of life for me. We have said plenty of times, being lost in Romania was a pleasure. If you ask me. Not knowing where to go and relying on Google translate because not everyone speaks English gets old very quickly.

The only thing that bothered us at that time was the fact that we were losing daylight. You see, we took a cable car right to the top of a peak, where we decided to spend some time taking pictures, eating some very bad barbecue chicken and getting mountain dogs. Every thing was fun and games until it was time to go, and at 5:25 pm, the cable car to take us down had gone bye-bye for the day.

There was one other way to get down apart from the old-fashioned

walking, and it was mountain biking. We looked at ourselves, shook our heads and started heading down on foot. In the first 10 minutes, we saw people with us who were walking down as well, so we figured we weren't the only ones who missed the cable car.

Little did we know, they were walking down to their parked cars. Soon enough, we were, locked the only motor, walking down the roads that had to slide-walk and cars zooming in from both directions every few minutes. We then decided to be real hikers and ask for a ride. That didn't quite work out either for the first forty minutes or so, my friend said quietly that we will be fine as our tummies were full of bad chicken and we had plenty of water. It was getting really cold though.

Finally, a family took pity on us and they stopped. As we sat, I was thinking the inventor of cars. Before we got off we made sure to thank the driver and his family as well, who didn't quite understand us, but we hoped he understood the grateful smiles we had on.

Now that I am back, I am still on the "don't worry" vacation mode. The post-vacation glow is so far but the Black Sea coast that asks me to let life unfold seems far, far away.

I need to realize that things do get better.

Opinion

Letter to the Editor re: County

Congratulations, Brazeau County, for "happily making available" \$7,936,145.13 to Drayton Valley and Breton over the course of three years. Interesting to see how it is spun to be "what was directly granted to the municipalities", when I would simply call it using our tax dollars to fund services for county residents.

In 2014, of the funds "granted" to the Town of Drayton Valley, 23% of the funds supported Fire and Police services, 27% went towards a regional water project, 3% to the airport, 8% Family and Community Services, 1% to a Jolt housing project, 2% to Culture, and 37% to Recreation. It is encouraging that Brazeau has taken out a bill-page ad to declare its support for the region as a whole. Brazeau obviously sees the wisdom in supporting Canada Day celebrations in Drayton Valley and Breton rather than trying to live its own celebrations and parade in the county somewhere (the same principle, I suspect, that was used to decide where to build the County Administrative building). At any rate, we just need Council to extend that line of thinking a little further. Maybe a school bus hub located in Drayton Valley could be supported in principle because it would just serve everyone better. If it were centrally located, New apply this reasoning to the location of a proposed outdoor rink, and we might be getting somewhere.

Council needs to stop pandering to the PUPs (Perpetually Unhappy People) who seem to resent Drayton Valley's very existence and are constantly spewing vitriol about certain councillors. Just stop it, stop the "County residents first" rhetoric;

you are elected now and are bound by duty to represent the best interests of the County as a whole. Get to work. If you want to prove to the province that you are the best entity to hold on to the linear tax assessment, work with Drayton Valley and Breton. You know where a great place to start might be? A substantial unconditional grant funded from that linear tax revenue – a real grant, not the tax money we provide to our neighbours to fund services we use. That might actually prove something and make Brazeau a leader in regional municipal cooperation and collaboration rather than a laughing stock.

Wendy Nickel
Drayton Valley

Province delivers funding for local infrastructure

Special to the Western Review

Communities across Alberta are moving forward with local infrastructure projects, thanks to funding support from the government's Municipal Sustainability Initiative.

The funding commitment under the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) ensures stable support for the long-term plans of communities across the province.

Alberta families and businesses have asked us to ensure strong and stable support for local infrastructure, and that's what we will deliver. Flowing this previously-allocated funding will ensure local governments can move forward on their immediate needs as we identify priorities going forward through budget consultations," said Devin Blos, Minister of Municipal Affairs.

MSI capital projects include: municipal roads and bridges, public transit, water and wastewater systems, emergency services, facilities and equipment, solid waste management facilities and equipment.

regional and community airport facilities and equipment, other municipal buildings and facilities such as recreation and sports facilities, libraries, public works buildings and cultural/community centres.

The MSI program continues to deliver funding that respects local decision-making and provides the flexibility Alberta's municipalities require to bring their long-term plans and community vision to life. The funding was previously allocated without specific approved projects, and is being delivered under provisions of the government's recently passed interim supply bill.

Background
The 2015-16 allocation of \$676.9 million brings total funding provided since the program, started in 2007, to almost \$6.7 billion. To date the program has supported more than 4,800 projects. Funding allocations to municipalities are based on a formula that includes population, education property tax requirements and kilometres of local roads.

Losing an old friend is hard

I am losing an old friend. Despite changing her habits and buying over \$500 worth of new tires in the past month, my Chrysler Intrepid is dying. She is older than I am but she cost more money than what I paid for her four years ago.

Intrepid was a good old work horse. She was a company car for a newspaper in Selkirk and I don't know how long the owner had her before I drove her around, picking up submissions throughout the country to put in the newspaper. I know that there was a lot of mileage on her when I bought her, and that the owner had done a few replacements, but she handled. I know some things don't last forever.

It is impossible to take a newspaper reporter/editor position with any newspaper if you don't have a vehicle. Municipal news, by their town, county or city hall and villages, must be attended and written about and that takes a vehicle to get around in.

My Intrepid was used to driving highways and backroads in Manitoba and across Canada, where it was virtually guaranteed that I could get from Point A to Point B without having to travel much on the highways. Unfortunately, I discovered this was not the case, and I had to do a backseat on several



Cathy Weisman

occasions trying to find the location of a building that could only be reached by highway travel. I think the shock of driving over roads made up of gravel, mud, sand and tree branches is what finally did her old guts.

The drive on her last day, the last one I had in it, the second leaked on a daily basis, and the fluid had pretty much lost its action. Only one fix passed inspection: however, since tires are actually purchased in pairs, I had no choice but to buy four new ones. And did they ever work great. They got me to Edmonton and back and I have one of the most shuddering drives I have ever driven through coming south down Highway 22 from 24th street.

With the tire problem fixed, Intrepid is decided to spring a leak from her power steering port and has been leaking ever since. I have changed the fluid, but she is definitely wrong when you can't steer the car. Last year, when I went to put windshield wiper

into its storage under the hood, it pained out onto the driveway. I can't remember when the power windows stopped working, and in truth, I don't know how to put on what's left of the air conditioning or attach a small fan to the rear and let it blow the air around the cabin of the car. The other alternative is that I had to die.

Yes, it is time to say goodbye to my faithful friend, tell the tires I'm still paying for and find another vehicle that will carry me over highways and rough roads. But I will also remember Intrepid and the fun times I had driving to Calgary and Jasper with my son, and commuting to Selkirk from Vegreville one summer. In the space of one week, I accidentally let a flying duck, would a small hawk along the way, the latter embedding itself in my grill like some kind of hard ornament.

When she completely goes on me, I will find a new forever home for her somewhere or hope she at least gets recycled into hundreds of thousands of cars.

So I will now take the advice of a local repair shop and begin looking for another vehicle to drive. Money is tight, so I'm not quite sure how this search will go. Does anybody have a nice, sturdy, mainly inexpensive car that I'd like to sell? Please, please, let me know.

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News

Three trucks stolen from local dealership

Maima Lulla
Western Review

In a chain of events that occurred on July 16, a report came in from a local dealership in Drayton Valley informing the RCMP that three new trucks from the business's lot were stolen.

The RCMP recovered two out of the three trucks - a blue and a white - that were located in Rocky Rapids and Didbury, with a third one still missing.

The call about the incident came in around 8 a.m. on July 16.

Around 7 a.m. that same morning RCMP received a complaint about a theft of a locked truck taken from RR 75. The vehicle was recovered the same day in Drayton Valley after being used to break open a compound. Police also received a com-

plaint about a trailer being stolen from that compound.

"So that vehicle was used to drive through a locked gate and that was reported in about 25 minutes later. We got a complaint from a business in town where that same truck was used to bust the gate open," said Sgt. Chris Delfile.

The trailer was recovered in town around 11 p.m. that same night. Delfile said he believes the two incidents are connected, meaning some people could possibly be behind the two incidents.

Police are investigating both cases and urge the public to call "forward should they have any information."

RCMP COMMENDS THE PUBLIC

A call was made to the RCMP while a break-and-enter was in progress. On July 14, on Twp 514 the RCMP

received a call around 10:30 a.m. about a break-and-enter which the members attended right away. Two males were apprehended and are facing multiple charges including possession of stolen property and break-and-enter.

The RCMP members have noticed the number of residents who call to report suspicious activity has gone up.

Members urge the public to continue to do so as this helps the police catch criminals.

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Five people stranded on edge of Pembina River rescued by fire dept.

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Five people were stranded by the edge of Pembina River on July 20 around 10:20 p.m.

Fire crews in Breton and Lodgepole were heading out to make their way to the location during which time they were stood down.

Fire crews in Evansburg had already located the five people and were performing their rescue.

Drayton Valley/Breton County Fire Services Deputy Chief Kamil Laesk advised residents to follow a few steps before heading into the river or exploring the country.

Laesk said to prepare for the outdoors by packing extra water, first aid kit, change of clothes, flash light and a compass.

He advised to take a friend along and let someone know when you are leaving and when you are expected back so they know if you are missing.

Even though everyone has a cell phone these days, it isn't always reliable because it may not connect depending on where you go, he said.

He also asks the public to check the weather forecast before heading out.

TRAILER RECOVERED

On July 16 at 3 a.m. fire crews responded to a trailer on RR 75 that had caught on fire. Upon arrival the trailer was fully destroyed along with adjacent two car garage that had sustained a heavy damage due to the fire.

Investigation is underway to determine the cause.

DOWNED POWER LINES

Fire crews responded to a report of downed power lines on July 18 on RR 81. Once they arrived on scene it was determined that a tree fell over and broke the power lines.

The case was handed over to the power company.

BRETON INCIDENTS

On July 20 Breton station responded to a report of a small outside fire on RR 45. Once they arrived the small gas fire was in a well site. With the help of bystanders they were able to extinguish the remainder of the fire and contain hot spots.

In another incident on July 19 Breton crew

responded to a rubbish grassfire. It was determined that the case was not an emergency as someone's campfire had alerted the neighbours.

The Breton crew responded to an EMS call on July 19 as an individual was having an allergic reaction. When the crews arrived, they saw the EMS already on scene attending to the patient. No further action was required.

COLLISION CLEAN UP

Drayton Valley/Breton County Fire Services responded to a two vehicle collision on 50 Ave on July 18. Crews helped clean up the debris. No injuries were reported.

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News

Provincial Court briefs

Cathy Weidman
Western Review

Drunken RI earns man jail time and probation.

A Drayton Valley man who threw a drunken fit inside the 7-Eleven store and made racial slurs against the store clerk was given 32 days in custody and a one year probation for his deeds.

At Drayton Valley Provincial Court on July 21, Judge Marilyn White heard that Trevor Pritzer walked into the 7-Eleven store on September 3 of last year. Crown Prosecutor Chris Palmer also noted he talked to the same thing in 2009.

Judge White asked Garrett, "How can you keep making these mistakes? You're a pro. This is going to be costly. If you're having problems with correcting your records, get someone to read over the certificate before you submit them."

She then imposed a \$1,000 fine on Garrett, which he paid that day. Resident gets jail time, probation for assault.

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also report to a probation officer, attend assessment, treatment and other counselling and programs, and provide samples of his breath and urine for testing. He was also handed a \$200 victim fine surcharge and was given until October 6 to pay it.

A local bailsmen landed in court after he neglected to complete all the information on a bailsmen certificate.

Lorne Edwards Garrett pled guilty to failing to write down the sex of the game on September 3 of last year. Crown Prosecutor Chris Palmer also noted he talked to the same thing in 2009.

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Search begins for shining Stars of Alberta volunteers

Story submitted

Do you know a volunteer who goes that extra mile or? Someone who stands out as a true community hero? Then you know a perfect candidate for a 2015 Stars of Alberta Volunteer Award.

Now in its 16th year, the annual awards program recognizes outstanding Alberta volunteers whose contributions have made a lasting impact and helped improve the lives of community members.

"Volunteers represent the true meaning of community spirit and it is their dedication and generosity that makes our communities and our province a better place to live and visit. Say thank you to that special volunteer who has made

a difference in your life and your community by nominating them for a Stars of Alberta Volunteer Award," said David Eggen, Minister of Culture and Tourism.

"Citizen engagement is essential to the quality of life in Alberta. The Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards highlight the value of volunteerism and publicly recognize the work of the amazing volunteers in our communities," added Janis Beston, Executive Director, Volunteer Alberta.

Six awards will be presented: two in each category of youth, adult and senior at the Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards ceremony to be held December 4 as part of celebrations marking International Volunteer Day

on December 5. Download the nomination form or submit your nomination online at culture-tourism.alberta.ca/stars.

Deadline for nominations is September 15.

Since the program began in 2000, 97 Alberta volunteers from across the province have been recognized with this honour.

The Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards Program is part of the Government of Alberta's efforts to help set a standard for service, encourage a sustained commitment to civic participation and inspire others to make volunteering a central part of their lives. Most importantly, it is a chance to pay tribute Alberta's outstanding volunteers.

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News

Town concerned about industrial waste in storm water system

Cathy Weeman
Western Review

At their Governance & Priorities meeting held July 15, Councillor Deb Bossett expressed concerns on behalf of the Waste Management Committee that industrial waste was being dumped into the town's storm water system. Industrial rags, in addition to slurry from hydro-vac-ing, appear to be the biggest offenders.

Ron Fraser, Director of Engineering and Planning reported that industrial companies don't have any place in town to dump the slurry and there are currently no regulations in place as to where they can dump it except for private lots in town. Consequently, companies are dumping slurry in farm-

ers' fields and along roads. Any chemical, including slurry, that is taken to the landfill site has to be tested, and if there is held liable to clean it up.

Councillor Bossett emphasized, "The bottom line is it clogs our trucklines."

Fraser agreed, adding that because of the rags and slurry ending up where they shouldn't be, it's taking longer to clean out the water and money sewer lines. It's also costing the town more money because the rags in the storm pipes are building up sediment and causing flooding.

After more discussion, Mayor Glenn McLean suggested that council bring up their concerns at

an upcoming Alberta Urban Municipalities Association convention, scheduled for September 23 to 25.



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"Where is the money going?" asks Drayton Valley Town council

Monika Lulla
Western Review

An advertisement in the July 14 edition of the Drayton Valley Western Review about the Brazeau County cost sharing isn't sitting well with the Town of Drayton Valley.

The full-page advertisement on page 13 of the edition states "with what was directly granted to the municipalities in 2014 and what is budgeted through to the end of 2016 the total amount Brazeau County has happily made available to Drayton Valley and Breton totals \$7,936,145."

According to Mayor Glenn McLean at a recent Town council meeting, the information is inaccurate.

"I don't think you'll get much disagreement around the table, it is misleading. It's wildly inaccurate, and designed to create a different perception than reality," he said.

Coun. Dean Shular was in agreement and said the advertisement was misleading.

"I do want to point that some of the things they've listed here are definitely not grants and some of them don't even come to Drayton Valley. For example the RCMP staff support is paid to the RCMP, it's not paid to [the Town of] Drayton Valley, it's not paid to Breton. Just looking through some of this, the Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre went to the Eleanor Pickup Arts Society. It did not come to the Town of Drayton Valley. This is misleading to their residents. They really need to stop telling people that they're giving us money," he said.

Reeve Bart Guyon said he does not believe the information is misleading.

"I don't know why they are being so defensive. The bottom line is we are writing a cheque for this amount of money for the citizens in this county to help support those services that are out there. It's not misleading at all. We are still writing a cheque for that amount of money," he said.

He said the county tries to cooperate with the town as much

as it can and the advertisement was to inform the public about cost sharing.

No matter what words you use, granting the money, writing the cheque for these services, bottom line is this is the money we are contributing to Drayton Valley and that's a significant amount of money that most people were unaware of," he said.

Shular confirmed the county is paying for services that its residents use in Drayton Valley.

"Whether they're saying it's granting it or giving it to us, that's just not the truth. They're paying for services and, you know, those services are in respect to their residents usage of facilities. I normally don't respond to these things but it's getting to the point where I feel I must start telling the residents out there, whether they're Brazeau County residents or the Town of Drayton Valley residents that Brazeau County council and administration are deceiving you," said Shular.

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News

Cory Lystang running in federal election

Monika Lulla
Western Review

Cory Lystang from the Libertarian Party of Canada has been chosen once again to represent his party in the upcoming 2015 federal election.

"Our message starts from fewer taxes, less government and more freedom. We want to shrink government down, make it more fiscally responsible, so it doesn't cost as much, which will be extremely large tax savings for the public," said Lystang.

The candidate was last chosen in the November 2014 by-election that took place in Yellowhead district. In that election, Conservative candidate Jim Eglin was won with most votes and became the Yellowhead MP.

With the new boundaries that will take effect in the upcoming election, Lystang said everyone in Yellowhead should be aware of what are the riding covers.

"The Yellowhead district now goes all the way down past Rocky Mountain House. A map is available on Elections Canada and also on my Facebook page," he said.

According to the Elections Canada website, Leduc County and Rocky Mountain House are now part of the Yellowhead district.

MP Jim Eglin, who was at the Drayton Valley Town Council recently, said the riding changes will take place for the upcoming election. He said his riding will change as he will lose Swan Hills, Fox Creek, Whitecourt, Hardhead, Fort Assiniboine and Onoway, Thorby, Warburg, Breton, Rocky Mountain House and Nordège will now be part of the district.

Lystang agreed he is new to politics and his campaigning involves going out and meeting people.

"I am trying to get out to farmers markets and talk to people because the biggest thing I am new to politics and nobody really knows who I am so that's what my campaign is. It is trying to get out and talk to people and let them know there are other options," he said.

A golden opportunity to protect the Bighorn

By Sarah Cox

If you've ever had a glass of water in Drayton Valley, your drink most likely came from the headwaters of the Bighorn Backcountry. Most of the water in the North Saskatchewan River, which hydrates Drayton Valley and other communities, originates in the Bighorn. The Bighorn, a 4,000-square kilometre wilderness area that is largely intact and roadless, connects the eastern sides of Banff and Jasper National Parks and features four sub-basins that supply 90 per cent of the North Saskatchewan's flow.

The Bighorn is to Drayton Valley and Edmonton what Kananaskis, Banff and other mountain parks are to Calgary's superb outdoor playground for many recreational activities. Yet Calgary's mountain

headwaters are protected, and Drayton Valley's are not.

In addition to its recreational appeal, the Bighorn is rich in biodiversity and offers key habitat for grizzly bear, elk, in some cases bighorn sheep, mountain goat, and myriad bird species, including boreal owl, golden eagle and white-tailed ptarmigan. It's a crucial link for wide-ranging species moving between Banff and Jasper National Parks and the adjacent White Goat and Siffleur Wilderness Areas. It's also a cornerstone of the Yellowstone to Yukon region, one of the world's last remaining intact natural landscapes.

Thirty years ago, the Alberta government promised to protect the Bighorn permanently. The North Saskatchewan Regional Plan (NSRP) process, now under-

way, offers a golden opportunity to fulfill the long-standing promise.

The NSRP is a blueprint for future land use in the North Saskatchewan watershed. With the NSRP public comment process set to open sometime in the next few months, we all have a chance to help design a regional plan that will permanently protect the Bighorn and secure an irreplaceable water source, offer many opportunities for recreation, and conserve the rich diversity of wildlife that also call this region home.

Sarah Cox is the Senior Conservation Program Manager at the Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative (Y2Y). Y2Y seeks to protect and connect habitat so that people and nature can thrive. Learn more at www.y2y.net

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paign is. It is trying to get out and talk to people and let them know there are other options," he said.

Lystang grew up on a cattle ranch south of Mayerthorpe and currently works in the oil field industry.

"I want to try and talk to the regular person, the person that's out working in the oilfield. The ones who don't want to vote anymore because there is nobody to speak for them. I am an oilfield worker. I grew up on a farm. I know what it's like paying huge tax bills. So I want to reach out to more people like me which I believe are the majority in Alberta.

Being a gun enthusiast, he travels to gun shows and spreads the word of his party. During the by-election in November last year, Lystang had said guns are tools in the right hands.

"The idea why should firearms be illegal if it's already illegal to kill? It's laws like these which nobody understands. Firearms in the right hands are tools, not weapons, police have them," he had explained.

He said his goal isn't to try and take over the world in the upcoming election but to spread the word.

"Once you can get 10 per cent of the people in an area to embrace a new idea, it certainly becomes common choice of normal. So if we can get to the point of 10 per cent of people embracing the idea of libertarianism in Yellowhead district, you are going to see a major shift. That is our main goal," he said.

In the November by-election Lystang's votes stood at about 3 per cent.

"I am not going to make an estimate that I am going to hit 10 per cent but I would absolutely love to see myself above 10 per cent at the end of this election, and if you remember the provincial election anything is possible if I can get the right message to the right people," he said.

Lystang can be contacted at cory.lystang@libertarian.ca or search Cory Lystang on Facebook. More information about his party can be found on libertarian.ca.

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News

Working wise: protect yourself from falls

By Charles Strachey

Dear Working Wise:
I noticed some roofs on my neighbor's house the other day and they were not using any ropes, fire rods supposed to use safety equipment in case they fall? Signed Nervous Neighbor

Dear Nervous:

Yes, anyone working at a height of three metres or more is required to use fall protection equipment.

Falls from any height are a common cause of serious injury and even death in the workplace. Around 20 per cent of the workplace incidents reported to Alberta Occupational Health and Safety since January 2012 involve falls.

Workers must be equipped with a full-body harness attached to an anchor point if a worker might fall a vertical distance of three metres or more.

Fall protection is also required over an unusually dangerous surface, such as unguarded rebar or other construction materials. Guards must be installed

if a worker might fall a vertical distance of more than 1.2 metres and less than three metres.

The three-metre fall distance is measured from the point from which a worker may fall.

The distance the worker would fall must be less than the distance to the nearest object/surface below the worker. The vertical height that a worker may roll or slide down the sloped roof before they lose contact with the roof is not considered to be part of the "fall distance." If the worker is working close to the gable end of a roof (in residential construction) that height is included.

It is the employer's responsibility to ensure that workers are protected as much as possible. This includes having the proper equipment on site and ensuring all employees are trained in its use. Employers should ensure only competent, trained workers are up on the roof or other structure.

OHS is actively patrolling construction sites to ensure all workers and employers are being safe. For some who aren't

working safe, it could mean a \$200 to \$800 fine!

If you come across a worksite where workers are up high and clearly not protected, you can call Occupational Health and Safety at 1-866-415-8690. You can also file a complaint online at work.alberta.ca/ohs.

For more information on fall protection or any other workplace health and safety issues, go to work.alberta.ca/ohs.

Do you have a work-related question? Send your questions to Working Wise, at charles.strachey@gov.ab.ca. Charles Strachey is a manager with Alberta Human Services. This column is provided for general information.

Photo courtesy of Zog_L_stock

Workers need to protect themselves by making sure they're equipped with a full body harness attached to an anchor point when working at a height of three metres or more.



Be part of choosing a new app for Alberta

Story submitted

Voting is open to pick a new app that uses Government of Alberta information in a way that helps you.

Service Alberta, in partnership with Alberta Innovates - Technology Futures, has launched an online competition to see how the government's open data can be used to create applications that provide social and economic value to Albertans.

Voting to choose the People's Choice winner is open and will close on July 24. Finalists can be viewed on the Apps for Alberta website on Challenge Post.

Making information accessible is just one way our government is demonstrating our commitment to transparency. This competition is an interactive way to introduce more Albertans to the wealth of data that's available to them," said Daron Siklos,

Minister of Service Alberta

Some of the apps help Albertans understand government better, while others help us enjoy and make the most of our natural resources. Several apps aim to increase accessibility to different types of government information including vital statistics and expenses. Many are focused on making it easier to live and raise a family in Alberta.

Other than the People's Choice Award, app developers are competing in three other categories that will be judged by a government panel:

Best Overall Application
Best Made in Alberta App Award
Best Student App Award

Alberta Innovates - Technology Futures has provided \$70,000 in prize money across the four categories to encourage entrepreneurship and technological innovation.

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MAMMA MIA



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Life Church holds second annual block party

Cathy Weetman
Western Review

Drayton Valley's Life Church served up more love and fun with its second annual block party at the Rotary Park on July 22.

Pastor Randy Rye said the first block party was held last year on July 23 as a way of giving back to and sharing its appreciation for the community. Some 600 invitations were handed out at that time, and this year volunteers handed them out to residents surrounding Rotary Park, where a bounce house, slide and booths for glitter tattoos, face painting and a clown shaping balloons into creative objects were set up. Hot dogs and potato chips were also given away free to those parents and children who attended.

Pastor Randy said he wasn't too sure if the weather would co-operate, so he and his volunteers huddled under a tent under the rain passed.

The event is so much fun, two more Life Church block parties are scheduled to take place this summer, with one in Rocky Rapids and the other in Aspenview.



Cathy Weetman photo

This clown was very popular at the Life Church block party because not only was he funny, he also made wonderful balloon things ranging from swords to fishing rods and everything in between.



Cathy Weetman photo

This little girl appears to be enjoying herself as she flies down the slide at the Life Church block party held July 22 at Rotary Park. This is the second year Life Church has hosted a block party and organizers said it was a way of showing appreciation for the community.



Cathy Weetman photo

Face painting was a very popular activity for the children attending Life Church's second annual block party held July 22 at the Rotary Park in Drayton Valley. Long lines of children waited patiently for their turn to be decorated by volunteers.

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News

Evolving Community: getting to know one another

By Danette Moule

Being a newcomer to Drayton Valley, there is much to appreciate in a town surrounded by trees, wildlife, and open skies. Coming from the mountains, I'm most recently accustomed to giant semi-trucks which hide the ducking snow early in the days, clear water that rises downward from a melting glacier, and a truck uphill to get from A to B. The last seven and a half years spent in the mountains have been rewarding in many ways. Living in such beauty, it's easy to think that life away from this majestic ancient rock is unimagineable. However, it wasn't so long ago that I lived the precise life. Although originally from British Columbia, I spent my primary school years in Calgary, and graduated from Mount Royal College (now University) before taking off to the west coast. Seven and a half years of mountain, learning, and self-discovery have led me back to Alberta to pursue work that matters. I bring with me experiences from a place different on many levels, but also similar in the sense that community is important. What I hope to bring to this community is even greater cohesiveness, happiness, and opportunities for positive growth.

As part of my new role with the Town of Drayton Valley, I will be writing a weekly column giving you tips for how you can create a pos-

sitive difference in your life, and in your community. The topics covered will be broad, will vary, and will attempt to cover all major aspects of life. My hope is that this column truly benefits your life, and motivates you to create discussion with your family and friends.

To initiate this column, I'd like to discuss something simple that truly promotes happiness and health in a community. It's amazing how much this simple act enriches your life. You learn something new every day (and often much more than one thing), your social skills improve, your stress levels decrease, and your overall happiness level shoots up. What could possibly have the sort of effect, with such rapidity? It's something that's as simple as it comes, yet many people are afraid of. This mysterious thing is... interacting with strangers. Interacting with strangers on a regular basis is something that, for a number of reasons, many people in today's modern world often attempt, sometimes with great effort, not to do. I'm not talking about calling up a new business associate to discuss next week's meeting, I'm talking about chatting with the person behind you in the check-out aisle. Chatting with the credit card representative, the bylaw officer. These casual but friendly interactions, that can happen numerous times a day, allow us to see each other's humanity. They allow us to bring down the walls and remove the walls that we each wear when in public, and understand one another a little more. We learn from the people we casually interact with. They sometimes make us smile when we've had a bad day. Chatting with strangers builds empathy for those we might otherwise judge quickly. And all of these things enhance your life.

In my attempt to build community here in Drayton Valley, I can't

recommend anything more important than interacting more with our neighbours, both the ones we already know, and the ones we have yet to. I certainly have many of you to get to know... and I know that interacting with you at every opportunity will reduce my need for those large, onerous pieces of rock, and increase my will to be a part of this community. I look forward to getting to know you!



Danette Moule

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Parents get child care payments — first installment

EDSON: Jim Egliniski, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead, reminded parents of the first installment of the Universal Child Care Benefit (UCCB). The newly increased child care benefit pays almost \$2,000 every year for each child aged 6 and \$720 for each child aged 5 through 17. With a retroactive payment from January 1, 2015, our Government transferred almost \$2 billion to 3.8 million families — the largest single-day direct payment to families in history.

As of July 20, payments of \$520 for each child under 6, and \$420 for each child aged 6 through 17 will be delivered to families across Canada. That means a family with two kids should receive as much as \$1,000 today. Parents can spend this money on anything they choose, including child care services, back-to-school supplies, sports activities and much more, boosting the economy and creating jobs across Canada.

About 3.8 million families will benefit from the boosted UCCB — double the number of families that previously qualified. While the majority of families in Canada are waking up to this welcomed boost to their bank accounts,



MP Report
Jim Egliniski
Yellowhead Riding

an estimated 200,000 families may have missed out because they did not apply. Families that are not currently receiving the UCCB, that have never applied for the Canada Child Tax Benefit and have children under 18 in their care are encouraged to go to www.canada.ca/taxsavings to find out how to apply.

In addition to the boosted UCCB, families recently received nearly \$2 billion in tax refunds this spring through the Family Tax Cut. The Family Tax Cut allows couples with children under 18 to split their income and reduce their tax burden by as much as \$2,000. Payments to families will also continue under the Child Tax Benefit, which remains unchanged.

Quick Facts:
• Approximately X dollars in UCCB payments sent today to about X number of families in the province of (name of province).

• All families with children will benefit from the new Family Tax Cuts and Benefits Plan, which includes the Family Tax Cut, the increased UCCB, the Child Care Expenses Deduction and the Children's Fitness Tax Credit.

• The UCCB has increased to \$150 per month from \$100 per month for each child under the age of 6, and a new benefit of \$60 per month has been introduced for each child aged 6 through 17.

• Combined with tax relief and other measures for families introduced by the Government of Canada since 2006, a typical family of four can receive up to \$6,500 in tax relief and enhanced benefits in 2015.

• Approximately 1.2 million cheques were sent to families across Canada. The remaining UCCB payments were made via direct deposit, for a total of more than \$6 billion on payments.

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Drayton Valley Giants host Mosquito AA Tier III provincials

Cathy Weetman
Western Review

For the second year in a row, the Drayton Valley Giants are hosting the Mosquito AA Tier III provincials. Although they fell out of the provincials last year, the team was off to a good start on July 24 playing against the Stony Plain Royals. After the first inning, the home team was down by a 4-0 score, but by the bottom of the fourth, the team rebounded and were leading by a new score of 8 to 4. They finished the game with a 17-7 victory over the Royals. The team played again that evening, as well as on Saturday and Sunday.

An official welcoming ceremony was also held on July 24, with Drayton Valley Town Councillor Freyler Wheeler giving official greetings on behalf of the towns.



A Drayton Valley Giants player runs back to the home dugout after scoring a run against the Stony Plain Royals during the first game of provincials held July 24 at the ball diamonds near the Denplex. As of press time, the Giants were leading with an 8 to 4 score after overcoming a 4-0 deficit after the first inning and went on to win with an impressive 17-7 score.



The pitcher of the Drayton Valley Giants team, nicknamed "CC" had a chance at hitting during the first game of provincial playoffs held in Drayton Valley July 24, 25 and 26. This is the second year the Giants have hosted provincials.

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ACTING WORKSHOP



Mamta Lulla Western Review
A week long drama camp was organized last week by the River Valley Players open to the entire community for a \$50 fee. There was a row lesson taught every day from light and sound, costumes and characters and improvisation. There were about 20 children who took part.



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Barb Brown missed by the community

Mamta Lulla
Western Review

A funeral for the Drayton Valley-Devon constituency office manager Barbara Brown took place last week after the 61-year-old was dealing with a health condition.

Brown worked closely with the former MLA Diana McQueen and the current MLA Mark Smith for the Drayton Valley-Devon constituency.

Smith said he has served the constituency for about 78 days as of last week and he could attest

to the fact that Brown's work was more than just a job for her.

"In our brief working relationship, I saw how many people would stop by daily just to say hello. Barb had her fingers on the pulse of this constituency. Without exception, she could provide me or a constituent with the background information on almost every issue that needed to be dealt with," said Smith.

Her family knew exactly what the community meant to Brown.

"Barb loved the community. She had a real

passion for that job and for the people that she did try and help in the community. She put her heart and soul into that position and she loved it," said husband Rick Brown.

He added Brown not only gave her heart and soul into her job but also her family, because whenever any family member had an issue they would consult with her.

"The family is deeply, deeply going to miss her. She was the cornerstone in our family. We went to her with our problems," said Rick Brown.

Brown worked closely

with McQueen, and served her office from 2008 until 2016 election, after which she worked with Smith.

"She was wonderful to work with and she was able to help constituents and people and the constituency with many things. She will be sadly missed, I know by myself and my family and by so many in Drayton Valley. She did so much for so many in Drayton Valley," said McQueen.

Brown knew whom to contact depending on what the constituents needed.

"Did we need to contact someone in government or access a government program - Barb knew whom to phone or what ministry needed to be contacted. Sherlock Holmes had nothing on Barb's ability to get the information we needed to help a constituent," said Smith.

Not only her job, but

because community was important to Brown, she volunteered her time in some of the organizations, explained her daughter Krista Gallani.

Gallani said she helped organize the Christmas parade, and was a member at the Drayton Valley Warming Hearts and Victim Services.

"I know she was on the board for Victim Services and she helped organize the Christmas parade," said Gallani.

Local participants bring back medals

Submitted

Nine contestants from Breton, Gelford, Tomahawk and Drayton Valley participated in the Alberta 55 Plus Games in Strathmore from July 18 to 19 and brought back several medals.

Bill Hinds from Breton took Gold in floor curling; Wilf Goers from Tomahawk and Frank Fowler

from Drayton Valley took Gold in floor shuffleboard; the team of Ray Pirari of Drayton Valley, Ray and Margaret Stevenson from Breton and Joan Buck from Gelford (who curls out of the Entwistle club) took Silver in floor curling.

Pirari said this is the first time he's attended the games, but has been floor curling out of the Drayton Valley 55 plus

club for a number of years. Finishing just out of the medals were Joyce Goers from Tomahawk and Estia Richardson from Drayton Valley. Fowler said attending the Strathmore games was a wonderful experience and everybody had a wonderful time.

A total of 1351 seniors participated in this year's games.



Photo submitted
Pictured are the winning teams in floor curling and floor shuffleboard from the Alberta 55 Plus Summer games held in Strathmore July 18 to 19. Drayton Valley's team picked up a gold medal (pictured on the right) based sign of the photo.



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News

Rural Man Van returns to Drayton Valley for psa testing

Cathy Weetman
Western Review

The Rural Man Van returned to Drayton Valley on July 23 to provide free Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) blood tests to men over 40, which indicate the presence of cancer or other prostate conditions.

Penn West Petroleum is one of several supporters of the Prostate Cancer Centre, based out of the Rockyview Hospital in Calgary, and is also a corporate sponsor of the Rural Man Van that travels to rural communities, including Drayton Valley.

Rocky Mountain House and Whitecourt. It stopped at the Penn West building at 10 a.m. and within an hour and a half, 27 men had been tested for the antigen, done through a simple blood test taken from the arm. Results of the test are mailed out within a week.

The goal of the Man Van is to have as many men as possible tested for the antigen at each visit. Clinic host Dave Lunn said that approximately 67 men from the Drayton Valley community turned out for the last clinic. "Normally, the clinic can test 75 men

during a four-hour visit. Lunn added the Prostate Cancer Centre suggests that men over 40 have a baseline test done in their early forties followed by another one about five years after that. At the age of 50, men over 70 during their yearly check up, men should be getting another PSA blood test along with a digital rectal examination.

The Rural Man Van has been on the road since 2013 and there is also an urban van that operates throughout Calgary.



Pictured is Paul Bullock getting his blood tested for the PSA antigen at the Rural Man Van clinic held in front of the Penn West building on July 23. Penn West is a major sponsor of the Prostate Cancer Centre in Calgary and a corporate sponsor of the Rural Man Van.

Submit-a-tick: Alberta program checks ticks for Lyme bacteria

Submitted

As summer gets underway, Albertans are reminded to submit any ticks they find to the Alberta Tick Surveillance Program. The program tests first for the type of tick and then, if necessary, for the bacteria that can cause Lyme disease in humans.

Lyme disease is an illness caused by bacteria that is spread through the bite of a black-legged deer tick. Lyme disease in humans can have serious symptoms but can be effectively treated with standard antibiotics, especially if diagnosed early.

The risk of being bitten by a tick infected with the Lyme bacteria in Alberta is very low. 53 cases of Lyme disease were reported to Alberta Health between 1991 and 2014, and all were acquired while travelling outside the province to areas where Lyme disease is circulating.

How to safely remove a tick
With tweezers, gently grasp its head and mouth parts as close to your skin as possible. Slowly pull the tick straight out - do not jerk or twist it. Try not to squish it. Save the tick in a clean, empty pill bottle or zip-lock bag. Do not add ventilation. Add a small piece of tissue, lightly moistened with water, to prevent the tick from drying out. Do not apply matches, cigarettes, or petroleum jellies to the tick as these may cause an infected tick to release the bacteria into the wound.

Remember, to protect yourself from tick bites, cover up as much skin as you can when going into wooded or grassy areas, use bug spray that contains the chemical DEET, and check your pets for ticks after they've been outside.

More information on how to submit a tick to the Tick Surveillance Program is available on the Alberta Health website www.health.alberta.ca/health-info/lyme-disease.html

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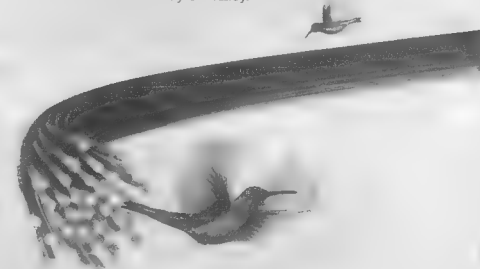
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Helping Canadian youth navigate a path to success

Gone are the days when success was granted to anyone with a strong work ethic and the right post-secondary education. Today's youth face a much different and more challenging reality as they encounter bleak predictions about their prospects in the job market. While coming of age was once a celebration, now Canada's youth are consumed with the concerns of getting a job, paying off debt, and sustaining financial independence. Today's youth need the creativity to develop plans of action B through Z, the

resiliency to bounce back from disappointment, and self-confidence to persevere and learn from their experiences. This is the twenty-first century toolbox, and what brings all these tools together is optimism. The RBC Youth Optimism study asked 2,400 Canadian children ages 10 to 25 what excites them and what worries them today and for the future. The study focuses on attitudes towards themselves, their pleasures, and their opportunities. The results show that between childhood and late adolescence, hope and happiness nosedive and the

impact often follows them into adulthood. Equipping Canadian youth with a positive attitude and sense of optimism is a collaborative effort. Parents, educators, and all levels of government are responsible for shaping the foundation for our children's future. The Youth Optimism survey encourages parents to engage in conversation with their children about how they are feeling, what is bothering them, and what they are dealing with. Every day presents opportunities to help young people learn resilience. When a child sees

not being invited to a party as proof that no one likes them, mom or dad can lead them through a reality check. A teenager deflated by a poor report card can be prompted to ask important questions such as should they

have studied harder, and do they need additional help.

Just because the future will look nothing like the recent past does not mean today's youth are destined for failure. Investing in the development of Canadian youth means redefining what success looks like and helping our youth attain the necessary life tools to trail blaze their path to success. For more information on the RBC Youth Optimism study visit www.rbc.com/Alida.



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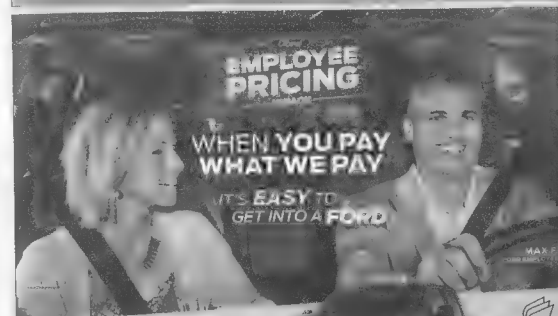
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Assistive technology is redefining student success

Technology has revolutionized how today's students are learning. With the digital world at their fingertips, it's easier for teachers to provide accessible and specialized learning to empower students with special needs to realize their full potential.

According to the 2012 Canadian Survey on Disability, more than 600,000 Canadians aged 15 and older reported having a learning disability. Of these,

one-third reported their highest level of education as being less than high school. But today's education technology tools can provide specialized learning to help students of all abilities to learn and succeed.

Angie Scarano-Iorio, the assistive technology coordinator for the Toronto District School Board, understands the potential that technology has to enable learning.

With a mandate to ensure students with special needs are able to work to their full potential, she used the Ontario Min-

istry of Education's Special Education Amount (SEA) to access technology from vocal devices to Windows tablets and apps to support learning and success at school.

"We recognize that each individual has different ways of learning," says Scarano-Iorio. "We decided to use Windows tablets to help students with learning disabilities and those on the autism spectrum to increase their organization and independence skills."

The team is now two years into utilizing Microsoft

OneNote on these devices to help students with learning disabilities prepare for their transition to high school.

"Using OneNote is helping these students de-stress and focus on learning," the coordinator continues. "For example, if you're a student who has difficulty taking notes from a chalkboard, you can simply take a photo, upload it and learn the lesson at your own pace, eliminating a lot of anxiety."

Ongoing professional development and in-class coaching sessions are offered by

the assistive technology team throughout the year. Teachers are brought together in learning communities that help educators make the most of available tools.

"Students with special needs no longer feel so singled out - the use of technology, such as Microsoft's OneNote, allows them to learn more independently and get ready for the next stage of their education," Scarano-Iorio adds.

More information is available at microsoft.com/enable.

Teacher transforms classroom with 21st century tools

Today's students have grown up being able to master the latest devices as if it's second nature. How these students receive information is vastly different than students even a decade ago.

At schools across Canada, educators have recognized how technology can create an accessible and inclusive learning environment that reflects today's world.

Connie Davis, a teacher librarian and educational tech-

nology catalyst at St. Mark's Community School in Saskatoon, has led the charge at her school, which launched a pilot program with one class three years ago. The students in this class receive lessons adjusted to focus on 21st century learning techniques, such as digital literacy and collaboration.

Now in Grade 5, the students have been taught in this style from Grade 2 onward and since the new type of learning was introduced, Davis has watched it transform the students, increasing their confidence and

desire to learn. "It's been amazing to see how it's changed their learning and engagement level," says Davis. "These students are frequently using technology to learn something new through a personalized process."

This past year, one of the school's Grade 8 classrooms was equipped one-to-one with Surface Pro 2 devices. The accessible technology allowed students with learning disabilities to engage, integrate, and learn 21st-century skills using apps like Book Creator to tell stories

and Windows Live Movie Maker to create Stop Animation movies.

"The use of Windows technology, like the Surface Pro 2, really engages kids," says Davis. "It gives them the opportunity to do their best learning, giving them the confidence to try something new."

In a school with a high immigrant population, having access to devices with built-in apps, like Bing Translator, allows students who speak minimal English to do grade-level work and actively participate in class projects.

Davis has witnessed how the new approach to technology in the classroom has led to improved research skills, heightened critical thinking, cultural awareness and creativity. Still, she feels early adoption is beneficial.

"It's much better if you teach these new learning skills right from the beginning and build on them each year," she points out. "We're now moving out of pilot mode in our school and trying to make a full paradigm shift."

New devices are life-savers - literally

For most people, the biggest concern when grocery shopping is how close to the entrance you get to park or whether or not your favourite groceries will be in stock. If you polled most Canadians, concerns about life-threatening cardiac arrest at the store wouldn't make the top of their list.

And yet, every seven minutes a Canadian experiences a cardiac arrest and the vast majority of them occur in homes and public places. In December, a shopper at a Calgary Real Canadian Superstore had a cardiac arrest and if not

for an on-site Automated External Defibrillator (AED) that delivered a life-saving shock, that afternoon may have been his last.

If a defibrillator is applied to a victim and CPR is begun within the first few minutes of cardiac arrest, the likelihood of survival doubles. Sadly, emergency response times in Canada often exceed 10 minutes and as the clock ticks, survival rates decline more than seven percent every minute.

"The Heart and Stroke Foundation wants defibrillators to be as common as fire extinguishers," says Mike Hoffman, National

AED Program Manager for the Foundation. "That way, bystanders can take action immediately, in those vital minutes before emergency help arrives. AEDs are simple to use and foolproof - they talk you through every step."

To ensure people get the medical assistance they need in a timely manner, some businesses have begun to invest in these life-saving devices. Loblaw recently announced that more than 630 devices were installed in workplaces, distribution centres and corporate stores across the country.

"We're glad to see companies like Loblaw making the

investment help out their customers and the general public," says Hoffman.

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How to protect your farm from common hazards

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Keeping track of all the risks can be overwhelming. Reevaluating a farm's risks at least once a year is the best way to determine and develop a plan to protect against them. Here are a few key areas to consider:

Extreme weather. There is no question that extreme weather events like drought, flooding, wildfires and hail can wreak havoc on a farm. "Having a plan in place to deal with severe weather is a necessity for farms of all types and sizes," says Bart Robinson, insurance expert with Western Financial Group. "Having safe and reliable storage for produce and chemicals are just two examples of what can go into a farm insurance plan. Crop insurance is also important to consider, because it protects farmers from the costs associated with damage to

crops from events such as hail, which are often unavoidable." Equipment considerations. Farm equipment is a necessity on all farms. If these critical assets get damaged, a farmer's operation can grind to a halt. Taking the time to inspect equipment, conduct repairs, update equipment lists and evaluate insurance needs annually can help farmers avoid costly claims or gaps in coverage, says Robinson. He stresses the importance of loss-of-use coverage on farm equipment. This covers expenses incurred for the rental of replacement

mobile farm equipment that has become inoperable because of loss or damage by an insured peril such as fire or theft, which helps minimize costly downtime. Overall liability. Risks often extend beyond the farm. Many farmers provide services or consultation to others, which means additional liability considerations. Field chemical spraying or seed cleaning are two common services that farmers could provide, says Robinson, and any person doing so should have insurance in place that protects them from damages to another

person or property. The same goes for environmental leaks or fires that can spread from one farm to another. With so much to think about in terms of risk on the farm, Robinson suggests speaking to an insurance broker who specializes in farm insurance. A broker will visit the farm to identify risks and customize a plan that provides the right coverage for their operation based on the farmer's unique situation. For more information on farm insurance, go to www.westernfinancialgroup.ca.

Helping to define Canada's future

The world this generation will inherit is not the one their parents used to know. Hard work and a related post-secondary education remains the foundation for success, however today's youth must navigate a maze of internships, micro-jobs, and short-term contracts that lead to a workplace they can call their own. This shift in landscape has forced Generation Y and Z to develop a 21st century tool box that features resourcefulness, resiliency and troubleshooting skills. The pessimistic cloud that surrounds today's job market has many Canadian youth unable to envision a rewarding future and worrying about the professional and financial reality that awaits.

According to RBC's Youth Optimism study the transition for many Canadians from childhood to late adolescence is filled with stress, worry, and anxiety. The study provides an unprecedented look into the mindset of Canada's future by analyzing their attitudes toward their selves, their pleasures and opportu-

nities. Completed in 2014 by Ipsos Reid and prepared in consultation with an expert panel, the survey gives voice to nearly 2,400 Canadians aged 10 to 25 from coast to coast.

Success in today's world requires hopeful perseverance. Seduced by the self-esteem fad, generation X and Z has the mentality that success is due. University of Pennsylvania psychologist and author of the Optimistic Child, Martin Seligman highlights the importance of optimism. Seligman's research shows that optimism not only helps prevent depression, but it can also be taught.

Emotional connection: Resiliency is a feature the modern day late adolescent must possess. The Youth Optimism study highlights the connection between resilience and an individual's surrounding support system. The study shows that optimistic individuals most look forward to social interactions such as coming home to a family member or loved one or spending time with co-workers. Optimists display better social skills than pessimists and are much more likely

to confide in someone on bad days.

Power of Meaningfulness: Nothing gives purpose to a day like anticipating something you enjoy. Compared to pessimists, optimists are much more likely to believe their daily activities are worthwhile (73 per cent v 28 per cent). Finding contentment and purpose in life's actions is important at every stage of development. The RBC Youth Optimism study shows that the ability to have fun is a key driver of feeling you can achieve anything you want, which in turn stimulates hope for the future.

Canadian youth are embarking on a much different journey than previous generations. The path to success is filled with adversity and roadblocks that can only be overcome with the right mindset. Every day presents opportunities to help young people learn resilience. The conscious and unconscious messages we send our children, the freedom to let them explore and discover on their own, and support we provide them all shapes their development.

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News

Kessler Family raises \$650 for CT4DV



Donation from the Kessler family Reunion 2015 for the CT4DV!! The kids painted rocks while camped at Willey West & we had a Rock Auction. Family came from Ottawa to Vancouver. Thanks to Pilebase for making this happen!!!



Photo submitted The Kessler family host a reunion each year. This year they got a BBQ from Pilebase and Pilebase asked that the rent be a donation to the Health Foundation. The family had the kids painting rocks for entertainment, then they auctioned them off and raised \$650.00 for the CT4DV Campaign. All the family members with the exception of Charlie and Carolyn Kessler are from out of our community.

Photo submitted These are the colourful rocks painted by the Kessler during their family reunion. \$650 was raised and donated to the CT4DV.

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Community events

Saturday, August 8 @ Thornahawk Agricultural Bench Show, Thornahawk Agri Centre. Fair books available at the Thornahawk General Store or email at: njpc@njpc.ca. Inquiries phone 780-542-2422 or 780-339-3962. Entries from 9 to 11 a.m. Public viewing from 5 to 7 p.m.

Monday

- Sit and Get Fit exercise class @ 10 a.m. at Sunrise Village (3902-47th St.) Exercises done from a chair. All services welcome.
- First and third – Brain Injury Support Group meets @ 12:30 p.m. at the Drayton Valley Legion. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
- Line dancing @ the Social Hall, 7:40 p.m.
- Bingo Thornahawk Agri Centre. Doors open at 6 p.m. Bingo at 7:30 p.m. 780-339-2422 or 780-339-3747 for information.

Tuesday

- DV Art Club meetings, 7 p.m. 542-7200.
- Kin-Club meetings, (780) 621-0517.
- Dances
- Angels' hosts everyone. DV Family Support & Intervention Program, women's group, 7-9 p.m. 542-6702 for more info.
- Sit and Get Fit exercise class @ 10 a.m. at Sunrise Village (3902-47th St.) Exercises done from a chair. All services welcome.
- Royal Purple meetings, Westwind Motor Inn (apex), 7:30 p.m. Morris @ 542-2854 for info.

Wednesday

- Men's Cultural Youth Society meets @ 7 p.m. at PMIS Outreach, 780-542-4396 for more info.
- Pre-school swim, 12-12:40 p.m. @ DV Pool, 696-2543 for info.

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- DV Family Support & Intervention Program, men's group, 7-9 p.m. 542-6702.
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Digging Deep: a book that gets you thinking

By Mark Cullen
John Pigott, a good friend of mine, likes to say, "When you pass the bread it comes back buttered." Gardening is like this.

While it looks like we are care-takers (and we often believe that we are) the fact is we receive as much, and often more — than we give. This is just one small lesson that I learned from Fran Sorin, author of the 10th Anniversary Updated Edition of Digging Deep: Unweaving Your Creative Roots Through Gardening.

In Digging Deep, Sorin explores the experience of gardening on a variety of levels and provides her own insights based on a lifetime of planning, digging, planting, maintaining her own garden, and designing gardens for others. I don't believe that her experience is unique but many of her observations are as she shares an extraordinary gift for making important points gained through a life of gardening.

Digging Deep is an intellectual approach to gardening and it may not be for everyone. I must admit, as much as I love to drive my car I would not enjoy reading a similar tome about the creative process of auto/mechanics. So let me simplify this for you and summarize 3 lessons that I learned from her most excellent book.

Lesson #1: Live in spite of fear.
There is this temptation to go about planting the garden with an eye to avoiding making mistakes. None of us like wasting time, money or effort. Sorin reminds us that gardening provides us with the opportunity to live creatively. "We are pushing towards new growth," as the psychologist Rollo May says, "not without fear, but in spite of it."

I remind you that there are no failures in the garden, only composting opportunities. Sorin would add that the mistakes that you make in your garden often provide the most joy at the end of the day and if you aren't making mistakes, you are not being creative. My first 'ah ha!' moment.

Lesson #2: Your Garden, Yourself.
Sorin reminds us that every garden is as different as every gardener. Now this might seem obvious and a bit trite, but she expands on the idea of our uniqueness as expressed through our gardens by drawing attention to the earth, from which all great gardens spring.

It is here, beneath the soil that the real magic occurs. Roots go down in search of microbes that assist in the ability of a plant to pull moisture and nutrients from the soil. "It is a wise and forgiving medium, the earth of ours."

Hmm, I never thought of it that way before. **Lesson #3:** To imagine is to see possibilities. "Somehow life gives us the message loud and clear that imagination is a Sunday-afternoon luxury that we should put away as we mature." Or "I had fun with those of plants and brushes when it is convenient for us. Sorin points out that most of us lose that childhood sense of wonder and adventure when we grow up. The rare individuals who retain these qualities are labelled as artists, creative, or gifted."

But they are not any different than the rest of us. We just choose not to let our artistic parts out of the bottle. We hesitate to let our creative juices flow. What makes the creative types different from the rest of us is that they refuse to push their natural creativity underground.

Imagination, Sorin reminds us, never dies. The good news is that you can unlock the door to your natural creative ability and 'see it free' in the garden. This might start by taking your 'kids' crayons out of the



Mark Cullen

DIGGING DEEP

Unweaving Your Creative Roots Through Gardening



FRAN SORIN

"Gardening is where I find my spirit and I find my life's meaning. I don't know if I'm a gardener, but I do know I'm a person who loves to garden." — Fran Sorin, M.D.

Photo submitted

10th Anniversary Updated Edition of Digging Deep: Unweaving Your Creative Roots Through Gardening By Fran Sorin
Braided Worlds Publishing

precious moment."

She reminds us that Einstein once remarked, "Imagination is more important than knowledge." Who would argue?

And finally...
I have read a lot about people who have a heart attack or experience a coma and leave the world as we know it only to come back thanks to defibrillation or good luck. They describe their experience on the other side in a variety of ways. Sometimes it is an incredible brightness of being or there is a bright light shining out of the darkness. It is sunny, flowers are blooming and birds are singing.

I have never heard of someone who visited the afterlife, however briefly, to be greeted by a computer monitor or work desk covered in unfinished tasks. Inevitably, there is some sense that they are entering a world dominated by robots.

And there is perhaps the greatest lesson of all in Digging Deep. While there are people who are very good at connecting with nature, Sorin made me realize that all of us have that connection, we just bury it under a lot of other stuff. The gardening experience provides an assist to those of us who want to above the dirt of that box that contains our connections with nature. It is the motivation to reach in and pull out the red you and see the secret of life itself.

Mark Cullen appears on Canada AM every Wednesday morning at 8:40. He is the Lawn and Garden expert for Home Hardware. Sign up for his free monthly newsletter at www.markcullen.com.

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